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EPA 089 438 06				POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT PART 1 - SITE INFORMATION AND ASSESSMENT				I. IDENTIFICATION 01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER IL 0005070529			
II. SITE NAME AND LOCATION											
01 SITE NAME (Legal, common, or descriptive name of site) Elsin Casket Company					02 STREET, ROUTE NO., OR SPECIFIC LOCATION IDENTIFIER 363 Bluff City Blvd.						
03 CITY Elsin					04 STATE IL		05 ZIP CODE 60120		06 COUNTY Kane		
09 COORDINATES LATITUDE 42 01 15.0 LONGITUDE 88 15 25					07 COUNTY CODE 089					08 CONG DIST 1	
10 DIRECTIONS TO SITE (Starting from nearest public road) U.S. Route 20 to Business 20 in Elsin. Business 20 to Ludlow Place. South on Ludlow Place to Bluff City Blvd.											
III. RESPONSIBLE PARTIES											
01 OWNER (If known) unknown					02 STREET (Business, mailing, residential) 363 Bluff City Blvd.						
03 CITY Elsin					04 STATE IL		05 ZIP CODE 60120		06 TELEPHONE NUMBER ()		
07 OPERATOR (If known and different from owner) Elsin Casket Company					08 STREET (Business, mailing, residential) 363 Bluff City Blvd.						
09 CITY Elsin					10 STATE IL		11 ZIP CODE 60120		12 TELEPHONE NUMBER ()		
13 TYPE OF OWNERSHIP (Check one) <input type="checkbox"/> A. PRIVATE <input type="checkbox"/> B. FEDERAL: _____ (Agency name) <input type="checkbox"/> C. STATE <input type="checkbox"/> D. COUNTY <input type="checkbox"/> E. MUNICIPAL <input type="checkbox"/> F. OTHER: _____ (Specify) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> G. UNKNOWN											
14 OWNER/OPERATOR NOTIFICATION ON FILE (Check all that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. RCRA 3001 DATE RECEIVED: 08/05/80 MONTH DAY YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> B. UNCONTROLLED WASTE SITE (CERCLA 103 c) DATE RECEIVED: _____ MONTH DAY YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> C. NONE											
IV. CHARACTERIZATION OF POTENTIAL HAZARD											
01 ON SITE INSPECTION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES DATE 05/29/81 MONTH DAY YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> NO ISS inspection					BY (Check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> A. EPA <input type="checkbox"/> B. EPA CONTRACTOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. STATE <input type="checkbox"/> D. OTHER CONTRACTOR <input type="checkbox"/> E. LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIAL <input type="checkbox"/> F. OTHER: _____ (Specify) CONTRACTOR NAME(S): _____						
02 SITE STATUS (Check one) <input type="checkbox"/> A. ACTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> B. INACTIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. UNKNOWN					03 YEARS OF OPERATION BEGINNING YEAR ? ENDING YEAR 1982						
04 DESCRIPTION OF SUBSTANCES POSSIBLY PRESENT, KNOWN, OR ALLEGED solvents (flammable/volatile)											
05 DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIAL HAZARD TO ENVIRONMENT AND/OR POPULATION fire/explosion (population, environment)											
EPA Region 5 Records Ctr. 322141											
V. PRIORITY ASSESSMENT											
01 PRIORITY FOR INSPECTION (Check one. If high or medium is checked, complete Part 2 - Waste Information and Part 3 - Description of Hazardous Conditions and Incidents) <input type="checkbox"/> A. HIGH (inspection required promptly) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. MEDIUM (inspection required) <input type="checkbox"/> C. LOW (inspect on time available basis) <input type="checkbox"/> D. NONE (no further action needed, complete current disposition form)											
VI. INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM											
01 CONTACT Ken Bedchely					02 OF (Agency/Organization) Illinois Environmental Protection Agency			03 TELEPHONE NUMBER 13W 345-9780			
04 PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSESSMENT Rick Peterson					05 AGENCY IEPA		06 ORGANIZATION DLPC		07 TELEPHONE NUMBER 312 345-9780		
					08 DATE 06/19/84 MONTH DAY YEAR						

EPA FORM 2070-12 (7-81)

Accused of Cyanide Plating Bath in Fox River



POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE
PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT

PART 3 - DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE IL 02 SITE NUMBER 0005070529

II. HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS

01 ☐ A. GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION 02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE: _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED
03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: _____ 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

N/A

01 ☐ B. SURFACE WATER CONTAMINATION 02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE: _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED
03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: _____ 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

N/A

01 ☒ C. CONTAMINATION OF AIR 02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE: _____) ☒ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED
03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: see comments 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

See narrative

01 ☒ D. FIRE/EXPLOSIVE CONDITIONS 02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE: _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED
03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: see comments 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

See narrative

01 ☐ E. DIRECT CONTACT 02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE: _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED
03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: _____ 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

N/A

01 ☒ F. CONTAMINATION OF SOIL 02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE: _____) ☒ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED
03 AREA POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: 1 (Acres) 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

See narrative

01 ☐ G. DRINKING WATER CONTAMINATION 02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE: _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED
03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: _____ 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

N/A

01 ☐ H. WORKER EXPOSURE/INJURY 02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE: _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED
03 WORKERS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: _____ 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

N/A

01 ☐ I. POPULATION EXPOSURE/INJURY 02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE: _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED
03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: _____ 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

N/A



TO: US EPA DATE: 6/19/84
FROM: Rick Peterson ☒ Information only
SUBJECT: ILD 005070529 - Elgin Casket Company ☐ Response requested

Elgin Casket Company manufactured metal caskets. A scrap thinner was generated during painting operations.

A May 20, 1981, ISS inspection revealed several apparent violations of RCRA interim status standards, including on-site storage of waste beyond 90 days.

Apparently, the company closed in mid-1982. A June 11, 1982, complaint from the Elgin Sanitary District indicated the presence of 8-10 drums located in the plants courtyard. A June 14, 1982, visit by Agency personnel revealed drums from throughout the plant were being consolidated for disposal. There is no record of any follow-up activity by the IEPA from that point.

Based on the above information, I feel this site rates a medium priority for inspection. An inspection in conjunction with a manifest review could help ensure the drums were removed from the site.

KANE Co. - 08943806
Elgin 1 Elgin Casket ()
Date Received 6-11-82 By BPB (By Phone) In Person By Mail
Complainant Gregg Hergenroeder Respondent Elgin Casket
Address Elgin Sanitary Dist. Address 363 Bluff City, Elgin, IL
Telephone _____ Telephone 742-4205
Directions To Source _____

Complaint Details Concerned about 55gal drums being left
at facility, since the company is gone - 8-10 drums
located in courtyard along east side of plant.

INVESTIGATION FINDINGS

Date 6-14-82 Time 9:00 By BPB
Interviewed Paul Sblueck - Super. Weather 80° Photos no
Violations Observed - observed no violations - Talked with
Mr. Sblueck the plant superintendent concerning the drums,
he apparently will be at the plant thru July, taking
care of loose ends before the plant is closed out.
Respondent's Remarks He stated, he is consolidating drums thru-out
the plant for disposal. He did not know the name
of the hauling firm doing the transporting. Will check
plant again in July.

FOLLOW-UP ACTION

Refer To _____

File Opened Yes

NO

cc: KPB

Northern R.

LPC 41 8/79

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY STATE OF ILLINOIS

INSPECTION REPORT - SITE INVENTORY NO. 08943806
 (1) L P C F C O 5 5 C (8) (9) ILD 005070509
 (11) (18)

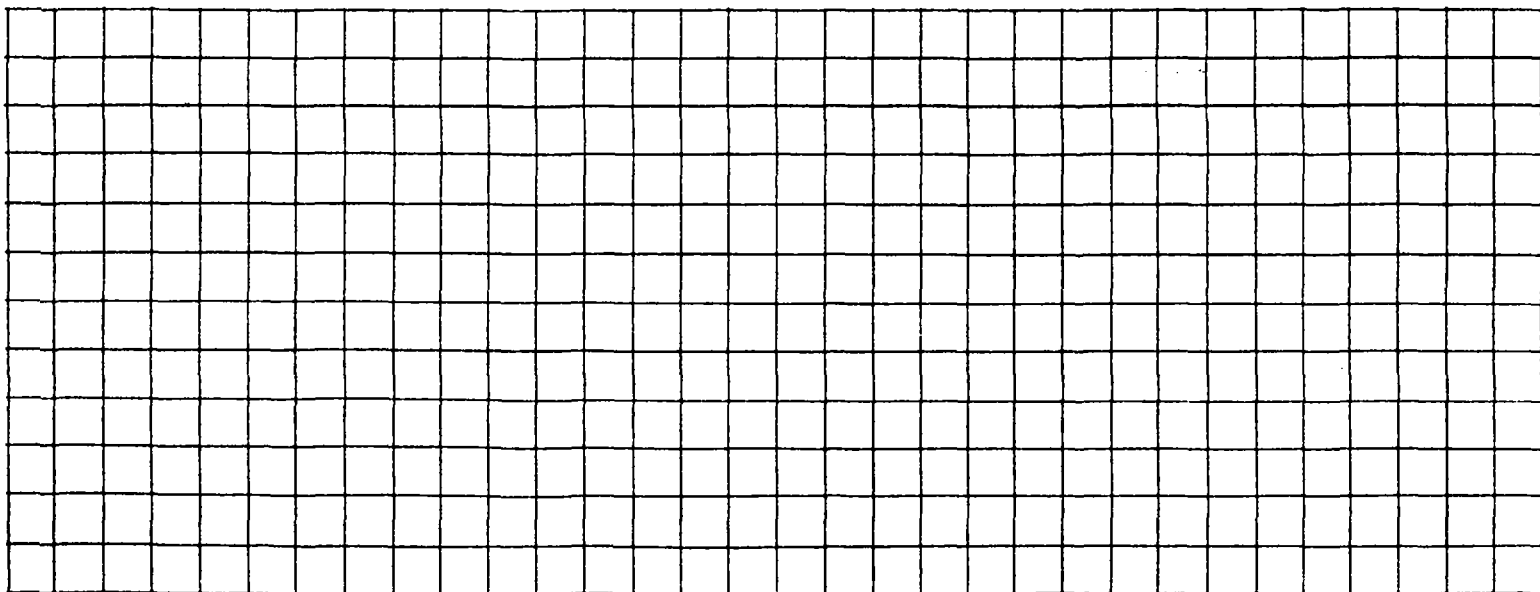
KANE CO. - L.P.C. Region # NI Date 05/20/81
 (20) (25)
ELGIN ELGIN METAL CASKET Letter Sent (Yes or No) Y
 (Location) (Responsible Party) (26)
 Samples Taken: Yes () No (X) Time: From 09:00AM Weather Cloudy 100°F
 Ground Water () Surface () Other () To 10:10AM
 Photos Taken: Yes () No (X) Interviewed Thomas Ivy Inspector M W S
 (27) (29)
 Previous Inspection _____ Previous Correspondence _____ Site Open: Yes () No ()
 OPERATIONAL STATUS: TYPE OF OPERATION: AUTHORIZATION:
 Operating (X) Landfill () Storage () E.P.A. Permit ()
 Temporarily Closed () Random Dump () Salvage () Variance ()
 Closed Not Covered () Other G (X) A.C.D. () 21(e) ()
 Closed and Covered () Quantity Received Daily(1-6) _____ Board Order ()
 (30) Illegal (5) ()
 IMPROVED (31)

SAME
 DETERIORATED I S or D S
 (62)

GENERAL REMARKS: ELGIN METAL CASKET GENERATES SCRAP THINNER FROM THE PAINTING OF CASKETS. ELGIN CASKET GENERATES THE WASTE AT AN APPROXIMATE DATE OF 3/85 (4/11/85) WHEN MONTHLY WASTE WENT OUT TO 30X. THE LAST 34 TONS OF WASTE WENT OUT TO 30X. THE CONTAINERS WERE NOT MARKED WITH THE START OF ACCUMULATION DATE. THE 30 DAY ACCUMULATION LIMIT WOULD BE 3/85. THIS ALL WASTES ACCUMULATED WITH OIL FILM.

INTERVIEW: CASKET NOT HAVING INTERIM STATUS AS A STORAGE FACILITY. ELGIN CASKET HAS 16 TONS OF STORED ANTIACET TO THE D. PROPERTY. THE ELGIN CASKET HAS NO OTHER DESCRIPTIONS OR DESCRIPTIONS OF TRAINING AND NO (PRACTICAL) PLAN.

DIAGRAM:



INSPECTION REPORT - SITE INVENTORY NO. 08943806

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GENERAL REMARKS: EGIN METAL BASKET MANUFACTURES BASKETS AND AS A RESULT THEY GENERATE SCRAP THINNER FROM THE PAINTING OPERATION. EGIN BASKET GENERATES THIS WASTE AT AN APPROXIMATE RATE OF 385 GALLONS PER MONTH ACCORDING TO COX. THE LAST SHIPMENT OF WASTE WENT OUT 2-28-80. THE CONTAINERS WERE NOT MARKED WITH THE START OF ACCUMULATION DATE AT AN ACCUMULATION RATE OF \approx 385 GALLONS PER MONTH.

INTERVIEW: THE 1000 KG ACCUMULATION LIMIT WOULD BE EXCEEDED 5.75 MONTHS AFTER 8-28-80. THIS MEANS THE 90 DAY ACCUMULATION PERIOD WOULD BEGIN ON FEBRUARY 20TH 1981. THIS ALL WASTES ACCUMULATED WOULD BE FULLY REGULATED AS OF 5-20-81. EIGHT METAL DRUMS WAS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING RCRA REQUIREMENTS: 1) NO PLACARDS 2) NO START OF ACCUMULATION DATE OR INTERIM STATUS AS A STORAGE FACILITY 3) NO PROPERTY LINE BUFFER FOR IGNITABLE WASTES 4) NO JOB DESCRIPTIONS OR DESCRIPTION OF TRAINING 5) NO

[illegible]

D.L.P.C. COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION FORM

KANE COUNTY - L.P.C. C-79-107N

ELGIN / ELGIN CASKET CO. ()

Date Received 4-16-79 By T.P.B. By Phone In Person By Mail

Complainant JAY GOLOSTYEN - U.S. E.P.A. Respondent ELGIN CASKET COMPANY

Address CHICAGO, ILLINOIS Address 363 BLUFF CITY BLVD.
ELGIN, ILLINOIS

Telephone (312) 353-2197 Telephone (312) 742-4205

Directions To Source

Complaint Details ELGIN CASKET CO. IS BOILING OFF CYANIDE WASTE THROUGH
STEAM VENTS AT NIGHT. THE WASTE WAS PICKED UP BY A HAULER AT ONE TIME;
HOWEVER, ELGIN CASKET CO. THOUGHT IT WAS TOO EXPENSIVE. ALSO DRUMS OF
LIQUID WASTE FROM ELGIN CASKET FOUND ON A FARM 8 MILES WEST OF
ELGIN.

INVESTIGATION FINDINGS

Date May 3, 1979 Time 8:30 AM. By Mary Wang

Interviewed George Trest Weather Photos

Violations Observed See attachment.

Respondent's Remarks

FOLLOW-UP ACTION

Refer To

File Opened

Yes

No

cc: Northern Region File
Northern Region Special Waste File ✓
Ken Bechely.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 3, 1979
TO: Division File
FROM: Mary Wang
SUBJECT: Elgin/Elgin Casket Company (C79-1071)

I met with George Skert of Elgin Casket Company to discuss the drums of liquid waste found on the Stellford Farm, eight miles west of Elgin. A joint inspection with A.P.C. was planned originally, however, my messages were not answered. The information concerning the boiling off of cyanide waste through the stream vents will be forwarded to A.P.C.

G. Skert informed me that fourteen drums of various liquid wastes had been taken to the Stellford farm by Bill Foster. Bill Foster is an independent hauler who had been authorized to remove barrels from Elgin Casket Company by men in the maintenance department.

In a telephone conversation Randy Stellford told me he observed material that had leaked out of one of the drums and had crystallized on the ground. It was at this time Randy Stellford called Elgin Casket and the USEPA. G. Skert stated that they called Bill Foster and told him to pick the drums up from the Stellford farm. Foster picked up the drums and took them to Bowe's Station. Gay Goldstein, USEPA meanwhile informed Skert that the drums must be disposed of properly, and explained the procedures involved and supplied a list of possible landfills. G. Skert then instructed the men in the maintenance to bring the drums back to the Elgin Casket facility. On April 20, 1979, the fourteen drums were back at the facility.

When I inquired as to the contents of the drums G. Skert said he did not know. He said they were in the process of sampling, identifying and labelling the fourteen drums in question and the rest of the drums in storage on Elgin Casket property. The samples were given to Liquid Dynamics.

The inventory of the waste stored on site is as follows:

<u>Waste</u>	<u># Drums</u>
thinners	81
cyanides	15
paints	9
scrap urethane foam	5
skimmings from paint booth	3
acid	1
detergent	1
phosphates	1

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Elgin Casket Company is presently working with a lab to dewater the cyanide waste to reduce the volume.

G. Skert showed me the list for color coding the barrels by contents. He has instructed the men in the maintenance department to separate the drums by contents, attach color coded appliques and store them inside the facility. G. Skert is to be informed on a regular basis the quantity of each particular waste stream in storage at the facility. He is to authorize who is to haul the waste and where it is to go.

G. Skert said he would inform me where the waste is to go when he gets the supplemental permits. A list of recoverers that may be able to use the thinners waste has been sent to G. Skert.

MW:cn/7057/6-7
(May 14, 1979)

cc: ✓Northern Region (2)
K. Bechely

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
NOTIFICATION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE ACTIVITY

INSTALLATION'S EPA I.D. NO.
I. NAME OF INSTALLATION
II. INSTALLATION MAILING ADDRESS
III. LOCATION OF INSTALLATION

ILD005070529

ELGIN METAL CASKET COMPANY**
363 BLUFF CITY BLVD
ELGIN, IL 60120

000022 AUG 25 80

363 BLUFF CITY BLVD
ELGIN, IL 60120

INSTRUCTIONS: If you received a preprinted label, affix it in the space at left. If any of the information on the label is incorrect, draw a line through it and supply the correct information in the appropriate section below. If the label is complete and correct, leave Items I, II, and III below blank. If you did not receive a preprinted label, complete all items. "Installation" means a single site where hazardous waste is generated, treated, stored and/or disposed of, or a transporter's principal place of business. Please refer to the INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING NOTIFICATION before completing this form. The information requested herein is required by law (Section 3010 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act).

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

COMMENTS

INSTALLATION'S EPA I.D. NUMBER	APPROVED	DATE RECEIVED (yr., mo., & day)
1 LD005070529	A	080805

I. NAME OF INSTALLATION

II. INSTALLATION MAILING ADDRESS

STREET OR P.O. BOX

CITY OR TOWN	ST.	ZIP CODE

III. LOCATION OF INSTALLATION

STREET OR ROUTE NUMBER

CITY OR TOWN	ST.	ZIP CODE

IV. INSTALLATION CONTACT

NAME AND TITLE (last, first, & job title)

PHONE NO. (area code & no.)

COX THOMAS CHIEF ENGINEER	312.742.4205
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V. OWNERSHIP

A. NAME OF INSTALLATION'S LEGAL OWNER

GULF+WESTERN

B. TYPE OF OWNERSHIP (enter the appropriate letter into box)

VI. TYPE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE ACTIVITY (enter "X" in the appropriate box(es))

F = FEDERAL
M = NON-FEDERAL

M

☒ A. GENERATION☐ B. TRANSPORTATION (complete item VII)☐ C. TREAT/STORE/DISPOSE☐ D. UNDERGROUND INJECTION

VII. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION (transporters only - enter "X" in the appropriate box(es))

☐ A. AIR ☐ B. RAIL ☐ C. HIGHWAY ☐ D. WATER ☐ E. OTHER (specify): 7

VIII. FIRST OR SUBSEQUENT NOTIFICATION

Mark "X" in the appropriate box to indicate whether this is your installation's first notification of hazardous waste activity or a subsequent notification. If this is not your first notification, enter your Installation's EPA I.D. Number in the space provided below.

☒ A. FIRST NOTIFICATION☐ B. SUBSEQUENT NOTIFICATION (complete item C)

C. INSTALLATION'S EPA I.D. NO.

ILD005070529

IX. DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDOUS WASTES

Please go to the reverse of this form and provide the requested information.

W 14000507052921

IX. DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDOUS WASTES (continued from front)

A. HAZARDOUS WASTES FROM NON-SPECIFIC SOURCES. Enter the four-digit number from 40 CFR Part 261.31 for each listed hazardous waste from non-specific sources your installation handles. Use additional sheets if necessary.

1 F 0 0 5 23 - 26 7	2 F 0 1 7 * 23 - 26 8	3 23 - 26 9	4 23 - 26 10	5 23 - 26 11	6 23 - 26 12
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B. HAZARDOUS WASTES FROM SPECIFIC SOURCES. Enter the four-digit number from 40 CFR Part 261.32 for each listed hazardous waste from specific industrial sources your installation handles. Use additional sheets if necessary. **NOT APPLICABLE**

13 23 - 26 19 23 - 26 25 23 - 26	14 23 - 26 20 23 - 26 26 23 - 26	15 23 - 26 21 23 - 26 27 23 - 26	16 23 - 26 22 23 - 26 28 23 - 26	17 23 - 26 23 23 - 26 29 23 - 26	18 23 - 26 24 23 - 26 30 23 - 26
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C. COMMERCIAL CHEMICAL PRODUCT HAZARDOUS WASTES. Enter the four-digit number from 40 CFR Part 261.33 for each chemical substance your installation handles which may be a hazardous waste. Use additional sheets if necessary. **NOT APPLICABLE**

31 23 - 26 37 23 - 26 43 23 - 26	32 23 - 26 38 23 - 26 44 23 - 26	33 23 - 26 39 23 - 26 45 23 - 26	34 23 - 26 40 23 - 26 46 23 - 26	35 23 - 26 41 23 - 26 47 23 - 26	36 23 - 26 42 23 - 26 48 23 - 26
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D. LISTED INFECTIOUS WASTES. Enter the four-digit number from 40 CFR Part 261.34 for each listed hazardous waste from hospitals, veterinary hospitals, medical and research laboratories your installation handles. Use additional sheets if necessary. **NOT APPLICABLE**

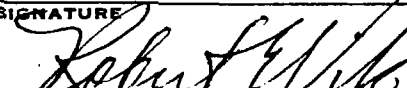
49 23 - 26	50 23 - 26	51 23 - 26	52 23 - 26	53 23 - 26	54 23 - 26
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E. CHARACTERISTICS OF NON-LISTED HAZARDOUS WASTES. Mark "X" in the boxes corresponding to the characteristics of non-listed hazardous wastes your installation handles. (See 40 CFR Parts 261.21 - 261.24.) **NOT APPLICABLE**

- ☐ 1. IGNITABLE (D001)
 ☐ 2. CORROSIVE (D002)
 ☐ 3. REACTIVE (D003)
 ☐ 4. TOXIC (D000)

X. CERTIFICATION

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

SIGNATURE 	NAME & OFFICIAL TITLE (type or print) Robert E. Vik, President	DATE SIGNED 8/1/80
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* Excluded under Sect. 261.5